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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 17, 2002, having a shortened statutory time set to expire on September 17, 2002, please enter the following amendment.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Replace Page 1, paragraph 1 with the following rewritten paragraph:

This application is a continuation-in-part of United States Patent Application Number 09/747,195, which claims priority to United States Provisional Patent Application Serial Number 60/173,227, filed December 28, 1999, incorporated herein by reference.